OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Jan. 10, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,
January 10, 1939.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. D. D. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter.—7.

Absent—Com. Shotwell.—1.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Major B. A. Sharp of the Salvation Army thanking the Fire Department for furnishing firemen at their Christmas Party given for the poor children of the city in order to prevent any danger from fire.

Placed on file.

A letter was read from Gretchen Doelle, Principal of the Allen Street School, expressing appreciation for the sending of two firemen to the school at the time of their Christmas program at which candles were used.

Placed on file.

The Merchants' Association, Inc., in a letter written by its secretary, Walter E. Beardsley, Secretary-Manager, thanked the Fire Department for co-operation in erecting Christmas street decorations.

Placed on file.

Mrs. A. L. Featherly and Peter H. Featherly expressed appreciation for the efforts and assistance of the Firemen at the time of the sudden death of Mr. A. L. Featherly.

Placed on file.

James W. Parry, Assistant Supervisor in Charge of Public Service Training for the State Board of Control for Vocational Education, presented to the Board the proposal of his Board to establish training courses in police administration and fire department administration.

E. W. Breay, Manager of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, gave the cost of a pair of wires between the police station and Fire Station No. 8 of $10.50 per month and a setting-up charge of $7.50.

By Com. Hammond—

That the offer of the Michigan Bell Telephone Co. be accepted.

Adopted by the following votes:

Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter.—7.

Nays—None.

Attention of the Board was called to the fact that a piece of property on Mt. Hope Avenue at Teel Avenue was available for purchase as a future site for a fire station. The matter was referred to the Committee on Property and Purchasing.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief O'Brien filed a written report of finances, Automobile Report and activities of the Police Department, which was received and placed on file.

A report on the activities and finances of the Fire Department for the month of December was filed by Chief Delfs, which was received and placed on file.

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Chief O'Brien reported that a gift of $10.00 had been received from Richard H. Scott and one for $15.00 from the Lansing National Bank, both of which were credited to the Pension Fund.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Com. Hammond reported that the Committee on Property and Purchasing had aranged for the purchase of two boats at $119.20 and nine life-preservers at $58.70.

By Com. Hammond—
That the report of the committee be approved.

Adopted by the following votes:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter.—7.
Nays—None.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Dail—
That the President and Clerk of the Board be instructed to sign an agreement for the courses of study for the Police and Fire Departments as outlined by Mr. James W. Parry of the State Board of Control for Vocational Education.

Adopted by the following votes:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter.—7.
Nays—None.

An invitation was accepted for a dinner to be held by the Red Cross at which firemen would receive recognition for their work.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following votes:

7 yeas; 0 nays.

Budd's Music House	$305.86
Norge Sales & Service	205.13
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	99.03
Paul Automotive Parts	95.25
The Bike Shop	74.20
Franklin DeKleine Co.	67.00
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	64.10
Morden Oil Company	35.39
Dudley Paper Company	27.44
Whitmore Auto Electric	23.89
General Distributing Co.	21.09
Allen Printing Co.	14.50
Harley Davidson Motorcycle	12.40
John F. O'Brien	10.44
Capitol Electric Supply Co.	9.02
Miller Studio	7.50
Linn Camera Shop, Inc.	7.41
Emery-Pratt Co.	6.36
Lansing Laundry Co.	6.14
Siebert Printing Co.	5.75
Western Union Company	4.80
Western Auto Supply Co.	3.76
Commercial Radio Equipment Co.	3.50
Schaberg-Dietrich Co.	3.10
Lifsey Distributing Co.	2.03
Service Lumber Co.	1.68
Paramount News Service	1.59
Postal Telegraph Service	1.34
Barker-Fowler Electric Co.	1.26
Edwin J. Bement	.95

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following votes: 7 yeas; 0 nays.

Board of Water Elec. Light Comrs.	$229.57
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	117.51
Scientific Brake Service	50.53
Capitol Casting Co.	49.50
Lansing Laundry	36.31
Consumers Power Co.	33.41
Safety Service Clinic	9.87
Air Reduction Sales Co.	8.94
Lansing Supply Company	7.44
Munger Electric Corp.	6.85
VanDervoort Hardware	6.61
Michigan Supply Co.	5.49
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	5.47
E. & J. Manufacturing Co.	5.23
Central Welding Supply Co.	4.95
Hugo Delfs	4.14
Jarvis Engineering Works	3.02
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	2.52
Michigan Supply Co.	2.08
T. M. Gillespie	1.65
Roehm & Laubscher, Inc.	1.57
Capitol Electric Supply Co.	1.32
Rudolf Bannasch	1.30

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,

January 10, 1939.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Feb. 14, 1939

February 14, 1939.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. D. D. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter, Shotwell.—8.

Absent—None.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

Aldermen Reck and Dell of the Police and Fire Committee of the City Council and Aldermen Shaw and Toy of the Labor Relations Committee and Alderman Bassett were also present.

The Board and the Aldermen present conferred on the subject of the manner of making promotions in the Police and Fire Departments.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Sam J. Stornant in which he expressed his gratitude to the Inhalator Squad of the Fire Department for assistance given to his family on February 4, 1939.

The communication was placed on file.

A communication was received from the City Clerk stating that the City Council had referred to the Board a petition signed by Eighth Ward residents asking that the city purchase land adjoining the Eighth Ward Fire Station.

The matter was referred to the Committee on Property and Purchasing.

An invitation for the Fire Chief to attend the fiftieth anniversary as chief of Chief George M. Kellogg of Sioux City, Iowa, was received.

By Com. Carter—

That Chief Delfs be granted leave of absence to attend this celebration at his own expense.

Carried.

APPLICATIONS

Applications for appointment as firemen were received from Chas. Campion and Marcus J. Kunoy and referred to the Chief of the Fire Department.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Com. Shotwell reported orally for the Committee on Property and Purchasing, stating that the Committee did not recommend the purchase of property on Mt. Hope Avenue which had been suggested as a fire station site.

By Com. Shotwell—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 yeas; 0 nays.

Bd. of Water & Elec. Light	$287.11
Bi-Lateral Fire Hose Co.	220.50
Sacony-Vacuum Co.	159.94
The Robinson Distributing Co.	126.00
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	117.51
Addison Sponge Co.	69.53

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Bunday Bedding Co.	54.00
Consumers Power Co.	49.14
Lansing Laundry	40.65
Peez Oil Corporation	35.25
Carrier-Stephens Co.	22.77
The Homelite Corp.	21.75
VanDervoort Hardware	17.92
F. N. Arbaugh Co.	16.50
Paul Automotive Parts	13.85
Capitol Electric Supply	11.39
Swift & Co.	10.36
Hugo R. Delfs	7.08
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	4.80
Michigan Brass & Electric	4.66
Dubois & Hughes	4.50
Capitol Casting Co.	4.50
Munger Electric Co.	4.14
Barker-Fowler Electric Co.	3.90
Capitol Electric Supply	3.26
Rudolf Bannasch	3.12
Air Reduction Sales	3.08
Kramer Auto Parts Co.	3.04
The Gamewell Co.	2.92
Lansing Awning Co.	2.88
Franklin DeKleine Co.	2.69
Lansing Glass and Glazing Co.	2.34
Michigan Supply Co.	2.04
The American Red Cross	1.80
Hager & Cove Lumber Co.	1.37

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 yeas; 0 nays.

Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	$ 84.91
Morden Oil Co.	38.61
General Distributing Corp.	28.52
Whitmore Auto Electric Co.	23.62
National Safety Council	17.86
Robinson Auto Supply Co.	14.70
John F. O'Brien	10.57
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	10.16
Lifsey Distributing Co.	7.45
Paul Automotive Parts	5.16
Lansing Laundry Co.	4.99
Emery-Pratt Co.	4.63
Vaughan Battery Service	4.00
Commercial Radio Equipment Co.	3.50
Western Union Co.	2.65
Wagenvoord Co.	2.00
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe.	1.77
Paramount News Service	1.56
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	.86

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,

February 4, 1939.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings March 2, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,
March 2, 1939.

The Board met in special session and was called to order by the President, Com. D. D. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter, Shotwell.—8.

Absent—None.

The President of the Board stated that the meeting was called to consider the budgets for the two departments and any other subjects which may require attention.

COMMUNICATIONS

March 1, 1939.

Honorable Board of
Police and Fire Commissioners,
Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

Attached is a copy of a letter I have addressed to the Captain and Lieutenants of the Police Department. I would like to have it read and spread on the minutes of the meeting.

Very respectfully,

JOHN F. O'BRIEN,
Chief of Police.

March 1, 1939.

To Captain and Lieutenants:

Much has been said about gambling since the first of the year, or since the change in State politics. We have heard a lot of rumors, and newspapers have been giving gambling much publicity. With this in mind, and the fact that Lansing has always been free from open gambling, slot machines and punch boards, I am charging each of you with the task of continuing to keep the city free of the above.

No one Lieutenant or Sergeant can do this alone. Each of you will have to do your part. You have all been aware of the places where gambling is allowed, still there has nothing been done by anyone to stop it, except what Sergeant Bauer has been doing, and the reward for the work he has been doing is to be scoffed at and be accused of being a "Stooge and Stool for O'Brien," (meaning me).

The cases that were dismissed against the "Bookie Joints" and 409½ North Grand Avenue I was responsible for getting, and I thought were good cases and should have been tried. If it is necessary for me to do so again and take personal charge of making cases on these places as well as others, I can and will do so, but I do feel that you men should do that, without even having to be so ordered. The laxity of enforcement has given others the idea that they can open and operate such places, and within the last six weeks two other places have opened, one at 113½ E. Allegan street and at 714 Olds avenue. The place on Olds avenue has been raided, the frequenters having pleaded guilty, but the operator has not been tried to date. I am informed that they are still running at this address.

At 113½ E. Allegan street and at 409½ N. Grand avenue it was necessary to resort to the "human padlock" from 10 p. m. until 6. a. m., which seems to be rather effective. To date I have not received any report from a member of the Department as to what is going on at these places during the time from 6 a. m. until 10 p. m. The "Numbers Game" also is being operated openly.

You are all familiar with the law and you all know what your duty is: There-

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fore, I want the law enforced and you, to do your duty.

I know that under the law, the State of Michigan has the right to grant charters to these so-called Social Clubs, which protects them in so-far as their gambling is concerned. By this I mean that we cannot enter them without a search warrant, for the purpose of obtaining evidence that would convict the members of gaming.

I am sending a copy of this to the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners and hope that it will not be necessary for me to prefer charges against any member of the Department for neglect of duty.

JOHN F. O'BRIEN,
Chief.

Received and placed on file.

February 23, 1939.

Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners and
Chief John F. O'Brien,
Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

I am writing you on behalf of Sergeant Charles A. Wibert, a member of the Lansing Police Force for the past twenty-one years.

It is my understanding that on or about February 14, 1939, Sergeant Wibert was removed from the pay roll of the Police Department by Chief O'Brien, for the reason that he has been inactive for a period of some several weeks, due to ill health. The nature of his illness is such that it has been impossible for him during this time to devote any part of his time to his duties.

Sergeant Wibert feels that he has devoted the best years of his life to the police service of this community, during which time he has lost very little time because of ill health. The discontinuance of his pay has greatly embarrassed him, and if not reinstated, will put him in a very unfortunate condition.

May I ask that you give prompt and immediate consideration to the reinstatement of his pay at this time. I assure you that as soon as doctor's orders will permit, Sergeant Wibert will report for active duty.

Very truly yours,

HUBBARD & McCULLOUGH,
By Harry D. Hubbard.

February 11, 1939.

Captain Early,
Police Department,
Lansing, Michigan.

I am attending Sergeant Charles Wibert in his present illness. He is suffering from a recurrence of a duodenal ulcer for which I treated him in October and November of 1937.

It has been necessary to curtail Sergeant Wibert's activities and to put him upon a very restricted ulcer diet. This with his pain and discomfort has had a very weakening effect upon him. Altho his condition is now improved, I do not think it advisable for him to return to his duties for another two or three weeks. At that time I believe his job should be such as would entail a minimum of physical exertion.

Very truly yours,

R. E. KALMBACH, M. D.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Dail—

That the pay of Sergeant Wibert be discontinued as of February 15, 1939, and until such time as he is able to resume his duties.

Carried.

By Com. Dail—

That the Chief of Police prepare a record of arrests and the disposition of cases or gambling with slot machines, punch boards and other devices during the past six months or more and report to this Board.

Carried.

The budgets as prepared were taken under consideration and minor changes were made in them.

By Com. Boelio—

That the Police Department Budget in the approximate sum of $198,360.00 be approved by this Board.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter, Shotwell.—8.
Nays—None.

By Com. Dail—

That the Fire Department Budget in the sum of $258,341.27 be approved by this Board.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter, Shotwell.—8.
Nays—None.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan.

March 2, 1939.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF

The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings March 14, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

March 14, 1939.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter.—7.

Absent—Com. Shotwell.—1.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Theo. H. Townsend, City Manager of St. Johns, Michigan, expressed his appreciation for the kindness of the Fire Department in providing the city with unit during the time changes were being made in their pumper and praise Capt. Kilmer's ability and personality.

The communication was received and placed on file.

A communication was received from twenty-nine persons who have been taking the WPA Leadership Training for Recreational Work expressing their gratitude for Red Cross instruction given to them by Sam Fisher of the Fire Department who handled the course competently and authoritatively.

The letter was placed on file.

A communication was received from Chief O'Brien giving the service record of Sergeant Wibert together with Sgt. Wibert's application to be placed on the list of retired Policemen on account of physical disability. A statement from Dr. R. E. Kalmbach was also attached.

By Com. Dail—

That the request of Sergeant Wibert to be placed on the list of Retired Policemen be granted and the request referred to the City Council for action.

Carried.

REPORTS OFFICERS

Chief Delfs filed a report of the finances and activities of the Fire Department during the month of February, 1939.

Received and placed on file.

A financial, automobile and consolidated report of the Police Department for the month of February, 1939, was filed by Chief O'Brien, which was received and placed on file.

Chief O'Brien filed a report of an accident involving Car No. 6 together with a report from Lieutenant Fenby and Officers Pearson and Gilbert who were in the car and also report of Pearson and Gilbert.

By Com. Hammond—

That the matter be referred to the Committee on Men and Discipline.

Carried.

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Com. Reutter reported on the offer of the lot adjoining Fire Station No. 8 for purchase by the city.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Reutter—

That this Board does not recommend the purchase of the lot adjoining Fire Station No. 8.

Carried.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following votes: 6 yeas; 0 nays.

The Star Machine Works	$114.00
Budd's Music House	75.31
Whitmore Auto Electric Co.	66.61
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	63.00
The Sturgis Signal Light Co.	50.00
Artility Metal Products	36.00
Gregory, Mayer & Thom	35.23
Paul's Automotive Parts	27.22
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	21.21
Norge Sales & Service	15.35
Barker-Fowler Electric Co.	13.19
John F. O'Brien	11.86
Linn Camera Shop	11.80
Vaughan Battery Service	11.49
General Distributing Co.	10.59
Lansing Laundry Co.	8.75
Siebert Printing Service	7.25
Carrier-Stephens Co.	6.00
The Weissinger Paper Co.	5.84
Railway Express Agency	4.43
The Gamewell Co.	4.09
Commercial Radio Equipment	3.50
Western Union Company	1.50
Paramount News Service	1.44
Robinson Auto Supply Co.	1.00
Board of Water & Electric Light Commrs.	.86

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following votes: 6 yeas; 0 nays.

Board of Water & Electric Light Commrs.	$284.64
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	117.51
Consumers Power Co.	43.19
J. C. Penney Co.	41.50
Lansing Laundry	34.22
The Bunday Bedding Co.	16.00
Peters Coal & Seed Co.	11.76
Air Reduction Sales Co.	10.64
Hugo R. Delfs	10.19
The Seagraves Corp.	9.21
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	8.75
Lansing Supply Co.	8.28
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	7.54
Overhead Door Sales	6.50
The Riker Lumber Co.	5.12
Bundy Bedding Co.	5.00
John Bean Mfg. Co.	3.50
T. M. Gillespie	3.30
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	3.23
Offenhauer Company	2.88
Hager & Cove Lumber Co.	2.18
Andridge & Gleason	1.71
Reo Sales Corporation	1.30
Carrier-Stephens Co.	1.26
Capitol Electric Supply Co.	1.24

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,

March 14, 1939.

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Uriah Allen	35.13
H. H. Bailer	30.00
Lansing Dairy Co.	27.95
Arctic Dairy	22.80
Hazel L. Wood	18.00
E. W. Sparrow Hospital	18.00
Heatherwood Farms	13.20
Dr. John O. Wetzel	12.15
Robinson-Barbier Co.	12.00
Roehm-Laubscher Co.	11.47
A. C. Kopkau	10.08
Nelson Shoemaker	8.80
Universal Food Market	8.00
Lawrence Baking Co.	4.41
West Side Fuel Co.	3.75
Woodward Sanitary Milk Co.	3.68
Consumers Power Co.	2.45
Ferrin Refrigeration Service	3.50
F. L. Parshall	2.00
Lansing Credit Exchange	1.60

By Ald. Pease—

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing:

That the foregoing claims be allowed and the City Clerk be and she is hereby directed to draw orders on the City Treasurer for the amount allowed each claimant respectively.

Adopted by the following votes:

Yeas—Ald. Bassett, Crego, Dell, Kircher, Larkin, Pease, Radford, Reck, Russell, Schneeberger, Shaw, Starkweather, Stoppel, Toy.—14.

Nays—None.

Council adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,
April 4, 1939.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings March 29, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,
March 29, 1939.

The Board met in special session and was called to order by the President, Com. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter, Shotwell.—7.

Absent—Com. Dail.—1.

The President stated that the meeting had been called to consider the action of the City Council relative to the retirement of Sergeant Wibert, at a meeting of the Council held on March 27, 1939.

The action of the Council was read.

By Com. Hammond—

That the City Clerk be instructed to send the following communication to the City Council:

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council,

Gentlemen:

In regard to the matter of placing Sergeant Wibert on the list of retired policemen as recommended by the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners at a regular meeting held on March 14, 1939, and the action of the City Council pertaining thereto at a meeting held on March 27, 1939, the Board respectfully calls your attention to Sections 395 and 397 of the City Charter which deals with the subject of retirement for firemen and policemen. This Commission will welcome information as to what the Council wishes us to do in this case.

BOARD OF POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSIONERS

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings April 11, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

April 11, 1939.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Dail, Gross, Harris, Hammond, Reutter.—7.
Absent—Com. Shotwell.—1.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Peter Steinkellner expressing his appreciation for a copy of Rules and Regulations for the Fire Department.

REPORTS

R. R. Seymour, Master Mechanic, reported on test made with a Fram oil filter and a Donaldson crank case ventilator.

Received and placed on file.

Chief Delfs filed a written report on an accident on March 23, 1939, to No. 10 and No. 3 Engine and to Fireman Henry Sharp and Richard O'Connell. Also on accident caused by ladder breaking and injuring Harvey Bassett, Walter Horiszny and Arthur Witschinski of the Fire Department.

Chief Delfs filed written reports of Fire Department finances and activities for March, 1939, which were received and placed on file.

Chief O'Brien filed written reports on finances and automobiles and a consolidated report of the Police Department for the month of March, which were received and placed on file.

Chief Delfs reported on purchases required by the Fire Department.

By Com. Boelio—

That the communication of Chief Delfs be referred to the Committee on Purchasing with power to act.

Carried. Yeas 7; Nays 0.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Hammond—

That Sergeant Wibert receive half pay for the month of April, 1939, and that he continue to receive half pay after May 1, 1939, if and when the additional funds are made available by the City Council.

Adopted by the following votes:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter.—7.
Nays—None.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 7 yeas; 0 nays.

Board of Water & Elec. Light	259.83
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.	181.37
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	117.51
Owosso Boiler & Welding Works	50.47
Consumers Power Company	47.79
Fuller Brush Company	45.91
Miller Brass & Aluminum Casting	28.75
The Seagrave Corp.	28.03
Lee & Cady	15.00
Scientific Brake Service	13.62
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	13.36
N. Snellenburg & Co.	11.55
Michigan Supply Co.	11.00
Peters Coal & Seed Co.	10.68
Swift & Co.	10.00
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	9.42

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Whitmore Auto Electric	8.44
Sun Oil Company	7.87
The Bunday Bedding Company	5.00
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	4.80
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	4.60
Lansing Supply Co.	4.43
Capitol Electric Supply	3.56
Davis Upholstering Co.	3.50
The Air Reduction Sales Co.	3.08
Capitol City Wrecking Co.	2.94
Vaughan Battery Service	2.72
New-Way Engine Company	1.75
Reo Sales Corporation	1.75
Jarvis Engineering Works	1.64
New-Way Engine and Machine Co.	1.50
The Briggs Company	1.30
Central Welding Co.	1.25
Capitol Trimming & Painting Co.	1.25
Rudolf Bannasch	1.04
Rudolf Bannasch	1.02

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 7 yeas; 0 nays.

Harley-Davidson Motorcycle Co.	$101.06
Lansing Oldsmobile Company	89.28
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	73.96
Morden Oil Company	35.39
Whitmore Auto Electric Co.	24.80
Budd's Music House	24.19
Linn Camera Shop	18.84
Safety Service Clinic	17.88
General Distributing Co.	14.16
Paul Automotive Parts	10.91
Norge Sales & Service	9.99
Western Union Company	9.48
The Gamewell Company	7.47
Lansing Laundry Co.	6.53
Robinson Auto Supply Co.	6.25
Schaberg-Dietrich Hardware	6.04
Lyman Body Company	6.00
John F. O'Brien	5.65
Balch Bros. & West, Inc.	4.74
Michigan Brass & Electric Co.	3.00
Carrier-Stephens Co.	3.00
Wm. Nickel	2.00
Paramount News Service	1.62
Reo Sales Corporation	.90

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

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Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	5.49
Lawrence Baking Co.	5.22
Van Wing	5.08
Michigan Company	4.90
The R. P. Lewis Co.	4.85
C. J. Rouser Drug Co.	4.29
Consumers Power Co.	3.64
National Biscuit Co.	2.36
Eliza Parsons	2.00
Carl Marshall	1.90
Lansing Credit Exchange	1.60
C. J. Rouser Drug Co.	1.45
Goodrich Grocery	1.02
Carl Marshall	.95

By Ald. Pease—
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing:

That the foregoing claims be allowed and the City Clerk be and she is hereby directed to draw orders on the City Treasurer for the amount allowed each claimane respectively.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Ald. Bassett, Crego, Dell, Graham, Pease, Radford, Reck, Russell, Schneeberger, Shaw, Smith, Starkweather, Stoppel, Toy.—14.
Nays—None.

Council adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,

May 1, 1939.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings April 27, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,
April 27, 1939.

The Board met in special session and was called to order by the Vice-President, Com. Carter.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Hammond, Reutter, Shotwell.—5.

Absent—Coms. Dail, Gross, Harris.—3.

A communication was received from Beck Bros. expressing their appreciation for the efficient manner in which the Fire Department handled a fire that occurred at their store.

Placed on file.

Sohn Bros. made an offer to do the laundry work for the Police and Fire Departments, which was referred to the Committee on Property and Purchasing.

Patrolman Keith Lang asked for a month's leave of absence on account of disability.

By Com. Hammond—
That the request of Keith Lang for a leave of absence for one month be granted with half pay.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Hammond, Reutter, Shotwell.—5.
Nays—None.

April 24, 1939.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners,
Lansing, Michigan.

Dear Sirs:

At your recent meeting I advised that minor children and the widow of a policeman or fireman who had died after being placed on the retired list are not entitled to payment under the pension plan unless the death of the retired officer resulted from the original injury or disease or ill-

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ness which had caused him to be placed on the retired list, the illness having arisen out of and in the course of his employment.

This is correct as to minor children. As to the widow, however, a later provision in the charter amendment provides that she shall receive fifty dollars per month upon the death of her husband who was on the retired list for whatever reason. I was careless in not reading the entire charter amendment when answering the question and trust that this letter will make the situation clear.

Yours very truly,

J. W. PLANCK,
City Attorney.

A resolution adopted by the City Council asking the Police Department to act with the Traffic Department relative to bus schedule for East Lansing buses was received and the Chief of Police was authorized to cooperate with the Traffic Director on this subject.

REPORTS

The April Financial report and the Annual Financial Report of the Fire Department were received and placed on file.

The Financial report of the Police Department for April, 1939, was received and placed on file.

Com. Harris arrived.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Hammond—

That the following communication be sent to the City Council:

April 27, 1939.

Honorable Mayor and City Council,
Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

We the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners for the City of Lansing respectfully petition your Honorable Body, to prohibit by suitable legislation, parking on the south side of West Ottawa Street from Washington Avenue to Capitol Avenue.

The reasons for this request are as follows: In driving out of the Police yard vision is obscured in each direction, making a right-hand turn, or a left-hand turn onto Ottawa Street extremely hazardous, because of the generally existing traffic congestion in this particular block. It might be difficult or impossible to turn from the Police yard onto Ottawa Street with the ambulance or the safety apparatus because of the obstructed vision, and traffic congestion above mentioned.

This might easily be the difference between saving a life or failing to do so because of delay.

Already parking is impossible during the winter and early spring period of the year, owing to the ice hazard prevailing.

Your cooperation is respectfully asked.

BOARD OF POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSIONERS
By BERTHA RAY, Clerk.

Carried.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 6 yeas; 0 nays.

Board of Water & Elec. Light	$243.54
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	117.51
Friedland Iron & Metal Co.	69.97
Capitol Electric Supply	58.80
Roberts Tire Sales	42.14
Lee & Cady	39.00
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	38.09
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	35.28
Consumers Power Co.	33.10
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	28.42
Lansing Laundry	24.38
Bd. of Water & Electric Light	20.25
Swift & Company	20.00
The Bundy Bedding Co.	18.75
Scientific Brake Co.	14.66
Capital Electric Supply	13.96
VanDervoort Hardware	12.42
Melling Forging Co.	8.50
Lansing Supply Co.	7.10
The Seagrave Corp.	6.25
Reo Sales Corp.	5.93
Estes Furniture Co.	5.20
Paul Automotive Parts	4.74
Offenhauer Co.	4.25
Franklin DeKleine Co.	4.02
Hugo Delfs	3.59
Capitol Electric Supply	3.02
Dubois & Hughes	2.75
D. C. Hunter & Son	2.63
The Briggs Company	2.60
Capitol City Wrecking Co.	2.58
Rikerd Lumber Co.	2.35
Roberts Tire Sales	2.20
T. M. Gillespie	1.76
Capitol Trimming & Painting, Inc.	1.00

The following claims aganist the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 6 yeas; 0 nays.

Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	$ 47.54
Capitol Electric Supply	22.88
Siebert Printing Service	18.75
Linn Camera Shop	7.84
Lansing Laundry Co.	7.38
Morden Oil Co.	6.06
Paul's Automotive Supplies	5.46
Emery-Pratt Co.	4.05
Commercial Radio Equipment Co.	3.50
The Index Publishing Co.	2.00
Forbes Stamp Company	1.50
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	1.24

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

April 27, 1939.
Lansing, Michigan,

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings May 9, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

May 9, 1939.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter. —8.

Absent—None.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Elizabeth Bogue, Secretary of the American Red Cross of Ingham County, commending Officer Charles L. Thomas for his work as instructor in First Aid and for speaking at public gatherings on safety and first aid.

Received and placed on file.

The President of the Senior Class of Okemos Consolidated School, Shirley Treadwell, expressed apreciation of the Class for the courtesy of the Fire Department in showing them through the Fire Department. Placed on file.

A communication was received from J. P. Sohn relative to his doing the Fire Department laundry work and submitting a price.

Referred to the Committee on Property and Purchasing.

APPLICATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Applications for appointment as Firemen were received from Charles Albert Fox, Steve Snauke, Jr., Edward Joseph Premoe which were referred to the Chief of the Fire Department.

The Committee on Men and Discipline, upon the recommendation of Chief Delfs, recommended that the following men who have served their six months' probationary period be appointed regular firemen: Idus Burgess, Theodore Allen, Donald Burnett.

By Com. Boelio—

That the appointments be confirmed as recommended.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief O'Brien filed a financial report of the Police Department for the month of April, 1939, which was placed on file.

Chief Delfs filed an Operating Report for the month of April, 1939, which was received and placed on file.

Chief O'Brien filed a report on conduct of Dorr Bates in allowing his service gun to be taken from him and the report of two witnesses to the accidental shooting of a woman. The report was referred to the Committee on Men and Discipline.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department Fund were allowed by the following vote: Yeas—8; Nays—0.

Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	$ 55.20
Gregory, Mayer & Thom	174.23
Budd's Music House	90.39
England-Cooke Co.	565.00
The Gamewell Company	1133.33

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Com. Gross nominated Com. Charles Carter for President of the Board.

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Com. Boelio nominated Com. Harris for President of the Board.

The Board voted to vote by ballot for this office.

A ballot was taken with the following result:

Carter—4
Harris—4

A second ballot was taken with the following result:

Carter—4
Harris—4

The Board recessed for a period and then resumed session.

A third ballot was taken for the office of President with the following result:

Carter—4
Harris—4

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings May 11, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

May 11, 1939.

The Board met in special session and was called to order by the President, Com. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter. —8.

Absent—None.

The President of the Board announced that the meeting had ben called for the purpose of electing officers.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Com. Gross nominated Com. Carter for the office of President and Com. Boelio nominated Com. Harris for the same office.

Com. Carter withdrew his name as a candidate and asked that the vote for Com. Harris be made unanimous.

By Com. Hammond—
That the Clerk cast the unanimous ballot of the Board for Com. Harris for President.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—7.
Nays—None.

The Clerk cast the ballot as directed.

Mr. Boelio nominated Com. Carter for the office of Vice-President of the Board. Mr. Carter wished to withdraw his name but the request was not granted.

By Com. Reutter—
That Com. Carter be elected Vice-President.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—7.
Nays—Com. Carter.—1.

The Board adjourned to meet May 13, 1939, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings May 13, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

May 13, 1939.

Police and Fire Commission met in special session on May 13, 1939 to hear charges against suspended patrolman Dorr Bates.

Present—8.

Absent—None.

Board called to order by President Harris at 7:30 P. M. Board met as Committee of whole.

The following witnesses were heard: Martin Foote, Jr., Clarence Wohlfert, Edwin W. Maiers and officer Dorr Bates.

After short deliberation the following report was submitted by the Men and Discipline Committee:

By Com. Boelio—

That officer Dorr Bates be found guilty as charged—"Conduct unbecoming an officer, in that he was careless and reckless and neglectful in allowing his service gun to be taken from him." It is the recommendation of the Committee that officer Dorr Bates be deprived of his leave days from this date until July 1, 1939, and that he will not draw his salary for the time he was under suspension; that his suspension be lifted and that he return to duty at once.

Moved by Com. Hunter and supported by Com. Hammond—

That the report of the Committee on Men and Discipline be adopted.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—8.

Nays—None.

Meeting adjourned.

D. D. HARRIS,
President.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,

May 13, 1939.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings June 13, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

June 13, 1939.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. D. D. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—8.

Absent—None.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Lt. Frank Hufnagel relative to attending the Convention of Identification Officers at Tulsa, Oklahoma, in September.

By Com. Hammond—

That Lt. Hufnagel be authorized to attend the Convention of Identification Officers and allowed expense money in the sum of $75.00.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—8.

Nays—None.

APPLICATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Applications for appointments as Firemen were filed by Lowell J. Crane, Francis J. Gilmore, Elias J. Boughner, Jr., Louis J. Tucker, Jack F. O'Brien and referred to the Chief of the Fire Department, H. R. Delfs.

June 13, 1939.

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners, Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Men and Discipline met in the office of the Chief of the Fire Department, on May 28, 1939, for the purpose of selecting two applicants for positions in the Fire Department. After examining and questioning twelve men, we recommend that the following men be the appointed ones, to serve on the usual six-month probationary period:

Clarence Zimmerman,
Joseph Wurgess.

Signed:

COMMITTEE ON MEN AND DISCIPLINE

C. E. BOELIO, Chairman.
L. A. DROLETT,
A. P. GROSS.

By Com. Boelio—

That Clarence Zimmerman and Joseph Wurgess be appointed firemen on six months' probation as recommended by the committee.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Delfs filed a report of the activities and finances of the Fire Department, which was received and placed on file.

Chief O'Brien reported on finances of the department and filed a Consolidated Monthly Report, which was received and placed on file.

Chief O'Brien reported on a damaged motorcycle and also that Officer Keith Lang had recovered and returned to work.

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RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Hammond—

That before a man is appointed for either department a rating be secured from the Credit Association.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—8.
Nays—None.

By Com. Carter—

That a four-cylinder Indian Motorcycle be purchased on the terms outlined by Chief O'Brien.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—8.
Nays—None.

By Com. Hammond—

That the cases of Officers Kennedy and Amiels be referred to the Committee on Men and Discipline.

Carried.

By Com. Carter—

That Chief O'Brien be authorized to purchase one Federal Super X Siren for use on motorcycle as a trial.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—8.
Nays—None.

By Com. Drolett—

That a direct telephone line be installed from the switchboard at Central Station to the Radio Room at the Police Headquarters.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Gross, Reutter.—8.
Nays—None.

By Com. Drolett—

That Chief Delfs and Roy Seymour be complimented on the condition of the fire department and equipment as it had been put in condition by Mr. Seymour.

Carried.

By Com. Hammond—

That the badges worn by Captain Redhed during his service in the Fire Department be given to Mrs. Redhed.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—8.
Nays—None.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 yeas, 0 nays.

Homelite Corporation	$861.64
Mine Safety Appliances Co.	390.04
Dayton Fire Equipment Co.	381.85
Bi-Lateral Fire Hose Co.	294.00
Overhead Door Sales	284.05
Hager & Cove Lumber Co.	250.00
C. G. Brenner Co., Inc.	232.00
Lewis Fuel Company	230.00
Socony Vacuum Oil Co.	164.79
Walter Kidde & Company	159.29
Silver Lead Paint Co.	155.33
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	135.30
The Seagrave Corporation	134.30
The Seagrave Corporation	127.95
Lansing Paint and Color Co.	125.84
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	117.51
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light	108.92
Mine Safety Appliance Co.	92.32
Akron Brass Mfg. Co.	83.82
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	73.62
Elkhart Brass Mfg. Co.	66.98
Lansing Laundry	56.06
Consumers Power Co.	51.63
The Gamewell Company	49.53
N. Snellenburg & Co.	40.00
Lewis Fuel Company	32.00
VanDervoort Hardware	26.88
Whitmore Auto Electric	18.32
Farm Bureau Services	15.00
Newsom Hardware	14.99
Peters Coal & Seed Co.	12.25
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	11.14
Central Welding Supply	10.00
Hugo R. Delfs	10.00
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	9.02
Capitol Casting Co.	8.50
Michigan Supply Co.	8.17
Lansing Glass & Glazing Works	7.40
Capitol City Wrecking Co.	6.91
Michigan Supply Co.	6.69
Dr. L. M Snyder	6.00
The Lansing Awning Co.	5.75
Chas. H. Keeley Co.	5.00
Capitol Electric Co.	4.77
Lansing Awning Co.	4.50
Clear Bauer Company	3.78
VanDervoort Hardware	3.61
Capitol Electric Supply	3.06
Fire Engineering	3.00
Capitol Electric Supply	2.80
D. C. Hunter & Son	2.63
The Briggs Company	2.60
American Carloading Corp.	2.31
General Distributing Corp.	2.30
Reo Sales Corporation	2.25
Consumers Power Co.	2.00
Index Publishing Co.	2.00
Rogers Leather Goods Store	1.90
Siebert Printing Service	1.75
Mill Supplies Corp.	1.86
Franklin DeKleine Co.	1.52
Carrier-Stephens Co.	1.50
Franklin DeKleine Co.	1.42
Capitol Body & Radiator Service	1.25
Vaughan Battery Service	1.03

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Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	$1802.14
General Radio Company	490.00
Budd's Music House	247.73
Morden Oil Company	111.37
Offenhauer Radio Service	95.00
Norge Sales & Service	85.43
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	73.75
J. W. Parry	55.00
Whitmore Auto Electric	47.13
Harley Davidson Motorcycle	38.19
John Moore	35.80
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe.	35.34
John F. O'Brien	26.76
General Distributing Co.	16.53
Jones Printing Co.	12.75
Lifsey Distributing Co.	11.50
International Association of Chiefs of Police	10.00
Western Union Company	9.32
Columbia Carbon Co.	9.28
Capitol Electric Supply	8.81
John W. Stratton Co.	7.50
Lansing Laundry Co.	7.15
The Emery-Pratt Co.	6.89
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	5.16
Linn Camera Shop, Inc.	4.89
Robinson Auto Supply	4.36
A. C. Spark Plug Co.	3.75
The Railway Express Co.	3.70
Paramount News Service	3.12
Siebert Printing Service	1.75
Service Lumber Co.	1.60
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	1.21

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan.

June 13, 1939.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings July 7, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

July 7, 1939.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. D. D. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter. —8.
Absent—None.

The minutes of the previous session were approved after correcting by changing the name of "Kennedy" to "Johnson" and "motorcycle" to "car" in resolution for testing siren.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Cap-Ser Club of the Capital City Wrecking Co., thanking the Fire Department for the excellent program presented by three members at a meeting of their club.

Placed on file.

A communication was received from the Acme Business College expressing appreciation for courtesy extended and demonstrations given for their visitors.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

June 20, 1939.

Report of Committee on Men and Discipline.

To the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners:

The case of Fireman Robert Foster as reported by Fire Chief Hugo R. Delfs, has been carefully considered and we have arrived at the conclusion that Fireman Foster be disciplined for his conduct as follows:

That he lose one week of his annual vacation and in addition, that he shall work fifteen consecutive days.

Signed:

C. E. BOELIO,
Chairman
A. P. GROSS,
D. D. HARRIS.

The report of the committee was adopted.

REPORTS

Reports on activities and finances of the Police Department were filed by Chief O'Brien and placed on file.

Chief Delfs filed reports of the finances and activities of the Fire Department.

Chief Delfs reported that the disability of retired Fireman Feazel had been investigated and that the disabled condition still exists.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Drolett—

That the Federal Super X Siren with lights, etc., now in use on Police Car, and four additional ones, be purchased.

Adopted by the following vote:
8 Yeas.
0 Nays.

By Com. Hammond—

That Chief Delfs be authorized to attend

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the National Convention of Fire Chiefs in San Francisco with expenses allowed.

Adopted by the following vote:
8 Yeas.
0 Nays.

By Com. Hammond—

That Chief O'Brien be authorized to attend the State Convention of Chiefs of Police at his own expense, and to attend the National Convention of Chiefs of Police in San Francisco with expenses allowed.

Adopted by the following vote:
8 Yeas.
0 Nays.

The Board members presented President Harris with a Gold Badge. Com. Hammond making the presentation speech. Com. Harris responded, expressing his appreciation.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 Yeas; 0 Nays.

Southern Wood Preserving Co.	$1000.00
The Seagrave Company	165.00
Lansing Police Department	150.00
W. J. Baker Co.	129.00
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	117.51
John Webb, City Treasurer	100.00
Robinson Distributing Co.	94.50
Frank J. Starr	81.70
Lansing Paint & Color Co.	77.27
The Seagrave Corp.	63.55
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light	54.17
Consumers Power Co.	49.42
Duncan Lumber Co.	43.20
Lansing Laundry	37.41
J. W. Knapp Company	37.20
Lyon Metal Products	37.00
Capitol Electric Supply	35.54
Lansing Paint & Color Co.	35.39
Michigan Brass & Electric Co.	31.07
Superior Paint Co.	26.53
C. J. Couchois	26.50
The Seagrave Corp.	19.00
Quality Awning Co.	18.00
Bunday Bedding Co.	17.50
Bunday Bedding Co.	17.50
The Briggs Company	8.56
Swift and Company	16.36
Steel, Marble and Tile Company	16.00
VanDervoort Hardware	13.45
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe.	11.94
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	10.22
Capitol Automotive Supply	9.00
Lansing Awning Company	8.31
Hugo Delfs	7.87
The Bishop Company	6.75
Lewis Fuel Company	6.25
T. M. Gillespie	4.40
Air Reduction Sales	3.08
Mill Supplies Corporation	3.08
General Distributing Corp.	2.92
Capitol City Wrecking Co.	2.45
Stahl's Hardware	2.45
F. W. Woolworth Co.	2.40
Vaughan Battery Service	1.87
Mill Supplies Corp.	1.73
Rudolph Bannasch	1.54
North Lansing Hardware	1.31

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 Yeas; 0 Nays.

Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	$ 57.75
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe.	38.32
Linn Camera Shop, Inc.	24.15
Budd's Music House	14.71
Western Union Co.	13.75
Morden Oil Company	11.39
Postal Telegraph Co.	9.87
John F. O'Brien	9.34
N. Snellenburg & Co.	7.00
Vaughan Battery Service	5.97
Norge Sales & Service	5.61
Lansing Laundry Co.	5.54
Capital Tool & Engineering Co.	5.00
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	3.83
Quality Sign Co.	3.50
Gregory, Mayer & Thom	3.09
Gamewell Company	3.08
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	1.75
Paramount News Service	1.56

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan.

July 7, 1939.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings August 8, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

August 8, 1939.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—8.
Absent—None.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mrs. E. E. Rice in which she expressed her appreciation for the efficient manner in which a fire was handled at her residence during her absence from the city and enclosed a check for $10.00 for the Firemen's Pension Fund.

By Com. Hammond—

That the check be deposited to the credit of Pension Fund and the Clerk directed to acknowledge the communication and gift.

Carried.

A communication was received from J. Holmes Martin, Director of the Regional Poultry Research Laboratory, on E. Mt. Hope Avenue, between Harrison Road and Farm Lane, regarding assistance from the Lansing Fire Department in case of fire.

Referred to the Chief of the Fire Department.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Com. Gross of the Committee on Property and Purchasing reported that the bid of the Lewis Coal Co. for Cranberry Mine Coal at $7.20 was the best coal bid and that the bid of the Westside Fuel Co. for stoker coal at $5.90 was the best bid for stoker coal.

By Com. Gross—

That the bid of the Lewis Coal Co. for coal and the bid of the Westside Fuel Co. for stoker coal at the prices bid by them be accepted.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—8.
Nays—None.

The Committee on Property and Purchasing reported that seven refrigerators could be purchased from the Water and Electric Light Department for $750.00.

By Com. Gross—

That the seven refrigerators be purchased for the Fire Stations.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—8.
Nays—None.

The Chief of Police filed written reports of the Police Expenditures, Automobile Report and other activities, which was received and placed on file.

The Chief of the Fire Department filed a report of the activities of the Fire Department for the month of July, 1939.

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RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Hammond—

That a Leg Splint be purchased for the Fire Department.

Carried.

A delegation was presented and through their spokesman, J. McKinley Lee, petitioned for the appointment of a negro policeman. A petition signed by a very large number of people petitioned for such an appointment.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 yeas; 0 nays.

Michigan Sheet Metal Works	$185.00
Sacony Vacuum Oil Company	158.10
The Gamewell Company	157.21
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	123.01
Mine Safety Appliance Co.	61.74
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light	55.76
Consumers Power Company	46.12
Roberts Tire Sales, Inc.	42.14
Lansing Laundry	34.88
Superior Paint Co.	30.44
R. J. Corlett & Sons	24.30
The Seagraves Corporation	20.05
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	19.48
The Rikerd Lumber Co.	18.14
Michigan Sheet Metal Works	12.50
Fuller Brush Company	12.45
Lansing Company	8.91
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	7.78
Whitmore Auto Electric	7.73
Michigan Brass & Electric Co.	6.55
Air Reduction Sales	6.46
Capitol Electric Supply	6.29
Sacony Vacuum Oil Co.	4.95
Lansing Supply Co.	4.49
Hugo R. Delfs	4.36
Rikerd Lumber Co.	4.23
Jarvis Engineering Co.	3.60
N. Snellenburg & Company	3.35
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	2.81
Paul Automobile Parts Co.	2.61
The Briggs Company	2.45
Hack's Key Shop	2.00
Offenhauer Company	1.50
Capitol Trimming & Paint Co.	1.50
Capitol Electric Supply Co.	1.46
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	1.31

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 yeas; 0 nays.

Federal Electric Company	$307.50
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	77.95
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	31.57
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	25.09
Donaldson Company, Inc.	16.36
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe.	13.20
Whitmore Auto Electric Co.	10.19
Lansing Laundry Company	8.59
John F. O'Brien	8.00
Budd's Music Huose	7.81
Service Lumber Co.	7.79
Vaughan Battery Service	7.57
Robinson Auto Supply Co.	7.00
Carrier-Stephens Co.	4.65
Barker-Fowler Electric Co.	3.82
The Gamewell Company	3.74
Capitol Electric Co.	3.44
The Dudley Paper Company	3.38
Western Union Company	2.50
Star Machine Works	2.45
Emery-Pratt Company	2.20
W. T. Grant Stores	1.94
Morden Oil Company	1.61
Paramount News Service	1.56

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,

August 8, 1939.

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By Ald. Pease—
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing:

That the foregoing claims be allowed and the City Clerk be and she is hereby directed to draw orders on the City Treasurer for the amount allowed each claimant respectively.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Ald. Bassett, Crego, Dell, Graham, Kircher, Larkin, Pease, Radford, Reck, Russell, Schneeberger, Shaw, Smith, Starkweather, Stoppel, Toy.—16.
Nays—None.

Council adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,
September 18, 1939.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings September 12, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

September 12, 1939.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present Coms. Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—7.

Absent—Com. Boelio.

The minutes of the pevious session were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from J. McKinley Lee, President of the Lansing Branch of the N.A.A.C.P., asking what disposition has been made of the request that a member of their group be appointed on the Police force.

The communication was placed on file and the Clerk directed to acknowledge the communication.

The Exchange Club, by its president, A. O. Cuthbert, expressed its appreciation of the assistance given by permitting several members of the Police Force to accompany them on the trip to Detroit with the School Patrol Boys to attend the baseball game. He complimented the Policemen very highly on ability shown.

Received and placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

June 10, 1939.

Committee Report

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners:

We recommend the promotion of Patrolman Winslow Smalley to the rank of Sergeant in the Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. GROSS,
L. A. DROLETT,
Committee on Men and Discipline.

By Com. Drolett—

That Winslow Smalley be promoted to the rank of Sergeant as recommended by the committee.

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Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond.—4.
Nays—Coms. Harris, Hunter, Reutter. —3.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief O'Brien reported on finances of the department, automobile report and consolidated report for the month of August, which was received and placed on file.

Chief Delfs filed a report of finances and activities of the Fire Department for the month of August, 1939.

Chief O'Brien recommended that some provision be made for a rifle range for practice by officers of the Police Department.

Chief O'Brien reported that the Federal Bureau of Communications had ordered the police aerial removed from across Michigan Avenue.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Hammond—

That the President be requested to appoint a committee to investigate the possibility of acquiring a rifle range for practice by police department officers.

Carried.

The President appointed the Committee on Men and Discipline.

By Com. Gross—

That the Antenna Tower, recommended by Chief O'Brien, be purchased at a cost of $161.60.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—7; Nays—0.

By Com. Drolett—

That Mr. Tomrell, Supt. of Fire Alarm Telegraph System, be authorized to attend a convention at Providence, R. I., with an allowance of $75.00 for expenses.

Carried.

By Com. Hammond—

That $450.00 be used from salary fund for a payment on account of Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Co.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—7; Nays—0.

Com. Hammond submitted a form which he recommended for use in making reports on beer establishments.

By Com. Hammond—

That the form submitted for use in making reports on beer establishments be adopted and placed in use by the Police Department.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—7.
Nays—0.

Com. Hammond submitted a suggested set of rules for the Detective Department.

By Com. Carter—

That these suggested rules be referred to the Committee on Men and Discipline to make a study of them.

Carried.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 7 Yeas; 0 Nays.

Bi-Lateral Fire Hose Co.	$2229.50
The Gamewell Company	1475.00
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light	750.00
West Side Fuel Co.	411.72
Lewis Fuel Company	374.47
Cairns & Brothers	157.60
The Seagrave Corporation	125.00
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	119.61
Superior Paint Co.	80.93
Cohen Bros. Auto Co.	75.00
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light	48.92
Consumers Power Co.	48.87
Lansing Laundry	42.20
United States Rubber Co.	30.09
Roy Seymour	24.00
VanDervoort Hardware	19.74
Robert Tire Sales, Inc.	16.43
Capitol Electric Supply Co.	16.16
The Dudley Paper Company	15.92
Hugo R. Delfs	12.12
Paul Automotive Parts	10.78
The Seagrave Corporation	9.00
Michigan Supply Company	8.93
Mill Supplies Corp.	6.86
T. M. Gillespie	6.60
Barker-Fowler Elec.	5.36
Rikerd Lumber Co.	5.13
Roberts Tire Sales, Inc.	4.41
Lansing Paint & Color Co.	4.11
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe.	3.87
Duncan Lumber Co.	3.50
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	3.48
Air Reduction Sales Co.	3.08
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	2.81
Andridge & Gleason	2.74

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Whitmore Auto Electric	1.80
Lansing Supply Co.	1.59
Bd. of Water & Electric Light	1.39
Munger Electric Corporation	1.30
Lansing Awning Co.	1.29
Mill Supplies Corp.	1.09
Lansing Supply Company	1.04
Gregory, Mayer & Thom Co.	1.10

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 7 Yeas; 0 Nays.

Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	$116.96
Medical Arts Surgical Supply	97.47
Budd's Music House	97.22
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	71.25
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	62.18
The Bike Shop	49.10
Whitmore Auto Electric Co.	29.72
Wincharger Corporation	25.05
Capital City Body Works	20.30
Vaughan Battery Service	18.85
Allen Printing Co.	17.50
Harley-Davidson Motorcycle	16.70
Directory Publishers, Inc.	14.00
John F. O'Brien, Petty Cash	12.79
Safety Service Clinic	11.94
H. E. Nickels	7.84
Lansing Laundry Co.	6.83
General Distributing Co.	6.71
Jarvis Engineering Works	3.92
Robinson Auto Supply	3.89
Emery-Pratt Co.	3.31
Carrier-Stephens Co.	3.00
Western Union Co.	2.93
Reo Sales Corporation	2.10
Service Lumber Co.	2.01
Paramount News Service	1.62
Michigan State Police	1.50
Postal Telegraph Co.	.90
Michigan Brass & Elec. Co.	.82
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	.55

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,

September 12, 1939.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Oct. 10, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,
October 10, 1939.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the Vice-President, Com. Carter.

ROLL CALL

Present—Commissioners Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Hunter, Reutter.—7.

Absent—Commissioner Harris.—1.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from C. R. Walgreen, Jr., President of the Walgreen Drug Stores, commending the Fire Department for the excellent manner in which a fire was handled in their Lansing store.

By Com. Drolett—
That a copy of this letter be posted on the bulletin boards of the fire stations.

Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Committee on Property and Purchasing made a report on repairs underway at several fire stations and on new furnishings or equipment for the stations.

October 2, 1939.

Honorable Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners,
Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Men and Discipline met on September 27th and again on September 30th for the purpose of interviewing applicants for the Police Department.

It was the unanimous choice of your Committee that Sigmund Wojtysiak be chosen to fill the vacancy existing in the Police Department, and that when satisfactory medical reports on him were received, that he be appointed as a patrolman to serve the customary ninety day probationary period.

Respectfully submitted,
C. E. BOELIO, Chairman,
A. P. GROSS,
L. A. DROLETT,

Committee on Men and Discipline.

By Com. Hammond—
That the report of the Committee be adopted and Sigmund Wojtysiak appointed patrolman on the usual ninety days probation.

Carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Reports of Police Department finances and activities for the month of September, 1939, were received and placed on file.

Reports of the finances and activities of the Fire Department for the month of September, 1939, were received and placed on file.

Capt. Earley reported the receipt of a reward of $25.00 for apprehension of a deserter from the Indiana Reformatory, which the Board directed be placed in the Pension Fund.

October 10, 1939.

Honorable Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners,
Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

For your consideration I am attaching insurance bids from three local companies,

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Robert Stratton Agency, John Stratton Agency and the Wolverine Insurance Company on the collision policy which expires on October 20, 1939.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN EARLEY,
Captain of Police.

By Com. Hammond—

That the Property and Purchasing Committee be authorized to place the collision insurance with Robert Stratton, Inc.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Hunter, Reutter.—7.
Nays—None.

October 10, 1939.

Honorable Board of Police and
Fire Commissioners,
Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

Please allow the following transfers in the Police Department budget:

From Administration Account 1-A-1 to the Automobile Maintenance Account 1-D-7 the sum of $307.50 to pay for five automobile sirens installed on Police Scout Cars.

From Administration Account 1-A-1 to special amortized account for Police Alarm System known as account 2D the sum of $554.97. This amount to be paid to the Garnewell Company at once on next year's annual payment of $1,133.33.

Total amount of transfer from administration account 1-A-1 equals $862.47, available by saving of four and a half months' salary of a Sergeant on this year's budget, which was not appointed until September 16, 1939.

Respectfully requested,

JOHN EARLEY,
Captain of Police.

JE/d

By Com. Hammond—

That the transfers be made as requested.
Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Hunter, Reutter.—7.

Nays—None.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Drolett—
That the Committee on Property and Purchasing be directed to purchase an acetyline torch for the Fire Department use and blankets to be carried by Police Cars and Fire Apparatus for use at fires.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Hunter, Reutter.—7.
Nays—None.

Com. Drolett presented the advisability of a Fire Prevention Bureau to carry on the work of inspection in order to prevent fires.

By Com. Hammond—

That the Chair be requested to appoint a special committee of three to contact the City Council relative to fire prevention work and the creating of a Fire Prevention Bureau in the Fire Department.

Carried.

Com. Carter appointed as such committee Coms. Drolett, Hammond and Hunter.

By Com. Drolett—

That the Board endorse the proposed Firemen's and Policemen's Ball.

Carried.

By Com. Drolett—

That the following letter be sent to the City Council:

October 10, 1939.

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council.
Gentlemen:

We had planned, in the coming 1940-41 budget, to ask your Honorable Body for an appropriation of $9,500.00 with which to purchase a new pumping engine to replace a 20-year-old engine which has become unfit for active duty.

An unavoidable breakdown happened to this machine two weeks ago and it now becomes an acute emergency to replace this engine as soon as possible; and we would like to have your assurance of this appropriation for our next year's budget now, so that we could replace this apparatus immediately as it is a very necessary and vital part of the fire department.

We also must, of necessity in the very near future, replace one of our service ladder trucks which is becoming unfit for service, but the former replacement is very necessary and urgent at this time.

Hoping that your Honorable Body will concur with this request of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners, we are,

Sincerely,

BOARD OF POLICE AND FIRE
COMMISSIONERS.
D. D. Harris, President.

Carried.

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GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 7 Yeas—0 Nays.

Hazsrd Insulated Wire Works	$1347.23
The Seagrave Corp.	160.00
Sacony Vacuum Co.	152.85
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	119.61
Bd. of Water & Electric Light	66.49
Robinson Distributing Co.	63.27
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	58.52
Addison Sponge Co., Inc.	55.63
Consumers Power Co.	50.50
Lansing Laundry Co.	36.31
Wm. P. Early	34.88
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	17.71
Lansing Directory Publishers	14.00
Capitol Electric Supply Co.	13.65
VanDervoort Hardware	12.04
Bi-Lateral Fire Hose Co.	11.76
Capitol Casting Company	8.50
National Telephone Supply Co.	7.14
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	7.01
Hugo R. Delfs	7.01
Mill Supplies Corporation	6.89
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.	6.50
Air Reduction Sales Co.	6.16
Fuller Brush Company	5.88
Scientific Brake Service	5.58
Factory Paint Store	9.42
Bd. of Water & Electric Light	3.19
D. C. Hunter & Son	2.63
Hager and Cove Lumber Co.	2.51
The Briggs Company	2.45
Lansing Supply Company	2.35
Capitol City Wrecking Company	1.96
General Distributing Co.	1.71
Offenhauer Co.	1.50
Reo Sales Corporation	1.30
Reo Sales Corporation	1.11

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 7 Yeas—0 Nays.

Frank Hufnagel	$72.24
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	65.95
Paul Automotive Parts	31.32
Capitol City Body Works	27.65
Siebert's Printing Service	26.25
Budd's Music House	26.04
Lansing Ollsmobile Co.	23.56
Scientific Brake Service	18.72
The Dudley Paper Co.	17.90
Whitmore Auto Electric	16.47
Emery-Pratt Co.	8.61
Linn Camera Shop, Inc.	8.46
John F. O'Brien	6.65
Lansing Laundry Co.	6.41
Safety Service Clinic	5.41
Silas S. Main	5.40
Bd. of Water & Electric Light	5.23
Harley Davidson Motorcycle Co.	5.10
Lifsey Distributing Co.	5.04
Franklin DeKleine Co.	4.80
Western Union Co.	4.52
Electric Products Sales	2.70
Kramer Company	2.25
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	1.84
Paramount News Service	1.56
Postal Telegraph Company	1.07
Capitol City Wrecking Co.	1.60

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,

October 10, 1939.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Oct. 25, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

October 25, 1939.

The Board met in special session and was called to order by the President, Com. D. D. Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter. —8.
Absent—None.

The City Clerk read a resolution adopted by the City Council on October 23, 1939, in which the Board was authorized to purchase a new pumping engine to replace a twenty-year-old unit.

Received and placed on file.

Com. Drolett reported on an offer of the Seagrave Corporation for a pumping engine.

By Com. Carter—

That the offer of the Seagrave Corporation be referred to the Committee on Automobile and Apparatus and that competitive bids be secured on a pumping engine.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.
Nays—None.
—8.

By Com. Carter—

That the committee be empowered to expend the sum of $50.00 for services of an engineer in considering specifications for pumping engine.

Lost by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Carter, Hammond, Hunter, Reutter.—4.
Nays—Com. Boelio, Drolett, Gross, Harris.—4.

Dr. Drolett reported on the case of Capt. Foster of the Fire Department.

By Com. Drolett—

That Capt. Foster be granted a leave of absence for three months beginning November 1st, with full pay, and that a letter of commendation for his long and creditable service be sent to him.

Adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter. —8.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan.

October 25, 1939.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Oct. 30, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

October 30, 1939.

The Board met in special session and was called to order by the President, Commissioner Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present—Commissioners Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—8.

Absent—None.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received from Glenn W. Sheren for General Fire Truck Corporation and from H. D. Elwood for Mack-International Motor Truck Corporation, Fire Engine Division, relative to Board awarding contract for purchase of a new pumping engine to the Seagrave Corporation.

By Dr. Drolett—

That the communications be received and placed on file.

Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Gentlemen:

The apparatus committee met on October 28th, 1939, to consider proposed bids for a new 750 gallon triple combination pumping engine for the Fire Department. There were seven sealed bids submitted to specifications, five of the bids were within a hundred dollars of each other, a fifth bid being about 20 per cent higher and one about 5 per cent lower than the five.

The committee recommends that in as much as bid of the Seagrave Corporation is acceptable and within the limits of our request to the city council, and further that this being considered as among the best types of apparatus, and acceptable to the Chief of the Fire Department and to the Master Mechanic, that this board award the contract for this fire engine to the Seagrave Corporation to be constructed to specifications as outlined for a price of $9,253.00

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. CARTER,
C. I. HUNTER,
L. A. DROLETT,

Committee on Automobile & Apparatus.

By Dr. Drolett—

That the committee report be adopted.
Yeas — Commissioners Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—8.

Nays—None.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,

October 30, 1939.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Nov. 14, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

Nov. 14, 1939.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the Vice-President, Com. Carter.

ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Goss, Hammond, Hunter, Reutter.—7.

Absent—Com. Harris.—1.

The minutes of the previous regular and special sessions were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from S. C. Jacka, City Engineer, in which he reported on the condition of the driveway approach to Fire Station No. 6, giving as his opinion that the driveway was in a safe condition. The report was received and placed on file.

A communication was received from Andrew Foster in which he expressed his appreciation for the consideration the Board had shown him. Received and placed on file.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

The Chief of Police filed a report of the finances and activities of the Police Department for the month of October, 1939, which was received and placed on file.

Chief Delfs of the Fire Department filed a report of the Fire Department's activities and finances for the month of October, 1939, which was received and placed on file.

Chief Delfs gave a written report of the International Associations of Fire Chiefs held in San Francisco on September 20-23, 1939, copies of which were given to the Commissioners. Received and placed on file.

Chief O'Brien filed a written report of the meeting in San Francisco of the International Association of Chiefs of Police held in October, 1939, which was received and placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

RULES FOR THE DETECTIVE BUREAU

November 14, 1939.

At a meeting of the Men and Discipline Committee of the Police and Fire Commission on November 3, 1939, the following rules were adopted:

1.

The Chief of Police with the approval of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners shall detail as many men as he deems necessary from the regular force to act as detectives or plain clothes men. Such men shall be on duty during such hours as may be designated by him. They shall carefully and diligently follow up all cases to which they are assigned, and shall keep a written record of all cases that they investigate.

2.

They shall promptly execute all orders given them by the Chief or other proper officials, and shall at all times keep a careful watch on all suspicious characters or known criminals who may be in the city.

3.

It shall be their special duty to carefully

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examine all persons arrested on suspicion, persons charged with a serious crime, and all known crooks, so in the future they shall be able to readily recognize and identify them.

4.

It shall be the duty of Detectives to co-operate with the Chief of Police and with other members of the police force, and all other law enforcement agencies in the prevention of crime, and the detection of same, and in the arrest of criminals. All members of the force will, when occasion requires, co-operate with them.

5.

It shall be the duty of each detective to report such information as he may in any way obtain or possess relative to suspicious persons or places, or any occurrence or circumstances in any way bearing upon any crime that may have been committed, or tending to throw light thereon, or that may be of any assistance to the Department by leading to the arrest of any criminal; and any member of the Detective Bureau intentionally keeping back such information, or failing to report the same shall be deemed guilty of a gross neglect of duty, and shall be liable to dismissal, or such other punishment as the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners may inflict.

6.

It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of the Identification Bureau to perform such duties as are consistent with advanced police procedure in the science of criminal identification. It shall also be his charge and his responsibility to maintain an accurate system of files, indexes and all records essential and necessary to the maintenance of the Identification Bureau as defined and governed by these regulatory rules.

7.

In this work the Superintendent of the Identification Bureau is to be accorded the full co-operation of each and every member of the Detective Bureau. Great efforts should be made to observe reciprocal relations with all other law enforcing agencies in the matter of criminal identification.

CHESTER E. BOELIO,
Chairman,

A. P. GROSS,
L. A. DROLETT,
Committee on Men and Discipline.

By Com. Boelio—

That the report of the Committee be adopted and the above rules take effect immediately.

Carried; 7 yeas, 0 nays.

RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Drolett—

That the installation of Master Fire Alarm Boxes in Sparrow Hospital, St. Lawrence Hosptial and Ingham Sanitarium be referred to the Chief of the Fire Department with authority to have the boxes installed.

Carried.

By Com. Drolett—

That a communication be sent to the Board of Health relative to the installation of Master Fire Alarm Boxes at the Lansing City Hospital.

Carried.

By Com. Boelio—

That night sticks be carried only when the Chief of Police considers them necessary.

Carried.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 7 yeas—0 nays.

The Seagrave Corporation	$344.90
Hugo R. Delfs	198.00
Roberts Tire Sales, Inc.	150.18
Bd. of Water & Electric Light	142.00
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	119.61
Robert C. Stratton, Inc.	80.63
Charles Tomrell	75.00
Michigan Sheet Metal Works	65.00
Lansing Paint & Color Co.	58.04
Consumers Power Co.	51.43
Lansing Laundry	37.08
Lansing Supply Co.	34.73
Lansing Paint & Color Co.	28.51
Lansing Supply Co.	26.50
Michigan Supply Co.	19.74
Tony Faggion	15.00
Michigan Supply Co.	12.99
Carrier-Stephens Co.	11.08
Springsteen & Morley	10.50
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe.	10.46
VanDervoort Hardware	10.19
VanDervoort Hardware	8.81
The Lansing Awning Co.	7.56
Offenhauer Company	6.50
Whitmore Auto Electric	6.40
Postal Telegraph-Cable Co.	5.94
Hager, Cove Lumber Co.	5.88
Bd. of Water & Electric Light	5.40
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	5.27
Hugo R. Delfs	4.58
Peters Coal & Seed Co.	3.40
Capitol Electric Supply	2.74
Michigan Brass & Electric Co.	2.29
T. M. Gillespie	2.20
Whitmore Auto Electric	2.04
Andridge and Gleason	1.91

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Reo Sales Corporation	1.56
East Side Maytag	1.25

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 7 yeas—0 nays.

Robert C. Stratton, Inc.	$274.95
John F. O'Brien	194.70
Robinson Auto Supply Co.	166.20
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	66.80
Offenhauer Radio Service	48.40
Morden Oil Company	39.41
Paul's Automotive Parts	36.80
S. S. Main, Supt. of Poor	36.00
Gamewell Company	33.82
The Bike Shop	26.43
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	20.11
Siebert Printing Service	18.50
Emery-Pratt Company	13.63
John F. O'Brien	13.22
Robinson Auto Supply Co.	13.00
Devore & Dent Company	12.00
Lansing Laundry Co.	10.54
Harley Davidson Company	8.09
Whitmore Auto Electric	7.70
Budd's Music House	5.58
Western Union Company	5.34
Bd. of Water & Electric Light	5.33
Columbia Carbon Company	5.00
International Assoc. of Police Chiefs	5.00
Linn Camera Shop	3.48
Dr. L. M. Snyder	3.00
Paramount News Service	1.56

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY, City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,

November 14, 1939.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners
OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Dec. 12, 1939

Lansing, Michigan,

December 12, 1939.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President Commissioner Harris.

ROLL CALL

Present — Commissioners Boelio, Carter, Drolett, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Hunter, Reutter.—8.

Absent—None.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication was received from Captain Stephen Tiplady asking that he be put on pension to take effect January 1st, 1941, having served 27 years in the Fire Department as well as having suffered a back injury in 1926.

By Com. Drolett—

That Stephen Tiplady be placed on the list of retired firemen to begin January 1st, 1940, and such recommendation be made to the City Council.

Carried.

Invitation was received from J. McKinley Lee by the Board to attend the meeting at the Lincoln School, Sunday, January 7th, 1940, at 4 P. M., to hear an address given by Dectective-Lieutenant Walter W. Coe of Grand Rapids, Michigan, which was received with thanks and placed on file.

Communication was received from D. M. Shotwell, President of J. W. Knapp Company, thanking the Police Department for the splendid cooperation during the Children's Parade on November 17th, and enclosing a check for $25.00 to be deposited to the credit of the pension fund.

Received and placed on file after suitable acknowledgment, and thanks for the gift, which was to be so deposited.

Communication was received from Mrs. Warren Hosmer, President of the Ingham County Humane Society, relative to the proposed "Dog Ordinance," which was given due consideration by the Board, acknowledged with thanks for the information contained therein and received and placed on file.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

December 12, 1939.

Board of Police and Fire Commissoiners, Committee on Men and Discipline.

Commissioners Boelio, Drolett and Gross.

Gentlemen:

Kindly confirm the probationary appointments of the following firemen who have satisfactorily served six months probationary period:

Clarence Zimmerman.

Joseph Wurges.

Respectfully yours,

HUGO R. DELFS,

Chief of Fire Dept.

By Com. Boelio—

That the recommendation of Chief Delfs be concurred in by the Board.

Carried.

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RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Drolett—

That the resolution passed by the City Council on October 16, 1939, relative to city employees furnishing birth certificates or naturalization papers, etc., be placed on the bulletin boards of the Police and Fire Departments by Chiefs Delfs and O'Brien.

Carried.

Commissioner Hammond spoke to the Board relative to Christmas and its religious significance, after which Commissioner Hunter led in prayer.

GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 Yeas; 0 Nays.

Capital Casting Co.	$310.05
The Bunday Bedding Co.	280.50
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light	228.76
Schram's Shade Mfg.	174.15
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light	168.45
Sacony-Vacuum Oil Co.	132.47
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	119.61
Addison Sponge Company	118.78
Scientific Brake Service	104.15
C. G. Brenner Co.	65.00
Consumers Power Co.	49.34
Couchois Floor Maintenance Co.	44.75
The Seagrave Corporation	42.00
Lansing Laundry	38.79
Quality Awning Shop	16.00
Reo Sales Corporation	12.33
Capitol Electric Supply Co.	11.58
Hugo R. Delfs	11.57
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	10.30
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe.	7.85
The Lansing Awning Co.	7.56
Lansing Paint and Color Co.	6.93
Andridge-Gleason Hardware Co.	5.63
The Seagrave Corp.	5.00
The Briggs Company	4.90
Whitmore Auto Electric	4.25
Roberts Tire Sales, Inc.	3.82
Paul Automotive Parts	3.63
Paul Automotive Parts	3.53
Air Reduction Sales Co.	3.08
Franklin DeKleine Co.	2.83
D. C. Hunter & Son	2.63
T. M. Gillespie	1.65
Vaughan Battery Service	1.47
Rudolph Bannasch	1.40
Gregory, Mayer & Thom Co.	1.32

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 Yeas; 0 Nays.

Gamewell Company	$554.97
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	35.35
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe.	30.38
Knight Electric Co.	27.49
Budd's Music House	18.61
Whitmore Auto Electric	17.66
Allen Printing Co.	14.50
General Distributing Co.	12.13
John F. O'Brien	11.84
Linn Camera Shop	11.56
Morden Super Service	11.00
Lansing Laundry	7.80
Gregory, Mayer & Thom	3.53
Robinson Auto Supply Co.	3.32
Harley Davidson Motorcycle	3.00
Carrier-Stephens Co.	3.00
Western Union Co.	2.38
Postal Telegraph Co.	1.62

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,

December 12, 1939.

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